GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ENGAGEMENT OF CHILDREN AS DOMESTIC HELP
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of children below the age of 14 years engaged as domestic help and employed in small scale industry in Delhi during 2007, till date; and

(b) the total number of such cases registered by the Delhi police/administration and action taken against responsible persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SMT. RADHIKA V. SELVI)

(a): The Census, 2001 has estimated that there are 41899 working children in Delhi. However, a total number of 327 cases in 2007 and 8 cases in January, 2008 were detected in Delhi under Section 3 of the Child Labour Act in various occupations including small scale industry by the Labour Department, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(b): 27 cases have been reported to Delhi Police. The Labour Department, Government of NCT of Delhi have filed prosecution in 277 cases in 2007 and 8 cases in January, 2008.